

CRIME AND INDUSTRIAL IGNORANCE.
The report of the Inspectors of the Eastern Penitentiary abounds with evidence that one of the surest safeguards against a criminal career is early instruction in a useful trade. This lesson is repeated in so many forms that it should make a deep impression upon the community, and attract the attention of parents who wish to insure the integrity of their offspring as well as of those who desire to promote the general welfare.

More than five-sixths of the prisoners who have been confined since the penitentiary was first opened were convicted of crimes against property, the total number of criminals of this class being 1927 against 1001 convicted of crimes against persons. Larceny, burglary, horse-stealing, counterfeiting, and forgery have been resorted to as a means of livelihood by persons who had no inbred horror of crime, and little or no accurate knowledge of lucrative useful avocations. The total number of convicts for larceny reached 2932, for burglary 556, for horse-stealing 297, for passing counterfeit money 272, for forgery 195, for robbery 198, for passing and having counterfeit money 42, and for counterfeiting 32; and the moving cause of nearly all these crimes was the belief that they would furnish the easiest method of providing for daily necessities.

It was at one time supposed that the general diffusion of education would greatly diminish crime, but education is by no means a sure specific, and its influence has been overrated. Of 6238 convicts, 3692, or nearly two-thirds, could read and write (and their number includes 32 "well instructed"), 1045 could read, and only 1351 were illiterate. The rapid increase in the number of common schools has not been accompanied by a corresponding diminution in crime, and all hopes based on the idea that the instruction they impart will destroy the vicious propensities of the rising generation are delusive.

Neither can we lay the flattering unction to our souls that the criminals are not generally of native birth. Other lands have contributed, it is true, to an undue proportion of the population of the penitentiary, the figures being 4935 Americans to 1833 foreigners, and of the 4935 Americans, 1656 were not born within the limits of the State, but 3639, or nearly one-half of the whole number, were to the manor born.

It is commonly said that intemperance fills our prisons, and its demoralizing influence cannot be denied. Still it is by no means the sole cause of crime, and the penitentiary statistics state that of 6238 convicts 1471 were abstainers, 2573 moderate drinkers, 1900 sometimes intoxicated, and 1094 often intoxicated—a record which does not differ very widely from that which would result from a minute inquiry into the habits of an equal adult population in some localities where odious crimes are rarely perpetrated.

The moral instructor of the prison states that of the inmates during last year, eighty per cent. claim that their parents were church members, and thirty-nine per cent. acknowledge that they were reared up under good home influences, but only a small proportion (sixteen per cent.) had been regular attendants of Sunday Schools, and sixty-seven per cent. had never attended these institutions. He contends that "common school and home training must go hand in hand," and that it should not only be "combined with Sabbath School instruction," but also with "the discipline of regular employment" and "skilled occupation."

While the prison abounds with "abstainers" as well as the victims of intemperance; while it confines "well-educated" rogues as well as illiterate rascals, Americans as well as foreigners, the children of religious parents and Sunday School pupils as well as the offspring of criminals, the moral instructor says:—"It is a rare exception to find a good mechanic in prison." The Warden, in his report, gives a further illustration of this statement by his announcement that when the work on the extension to the prison was commenced he was anxious to avail himself of the labor of the convicts, but that "out of six hundred who were then in the institution, but one was found who could perform the part of a stone-mason, and not one who had a sufficient knowledge of bricklaying or carpentering to enable them to hold the position of a moderately fair journeyman at either of these branches of business. But two men could dress stone passably, both of whom had learned in other prisons."

The industrial relations of the convicts committed during 1898 are reported to be as follows:—unapprenticed, 308; apprenticed and left, 31; apprenticed and served until 21 years of age, 17; total, 356. Thus, only one convict out of fifteen had served a regular apprenticeship, and the bulk of those committed were but poorly qualified to earn an honest livelihood. While the importance of moral and secular instruction, temperance habits, and good associations cannot be overestimated, it is manifest that crimes against property will not cease so long as a large proportion of the population are suffered to grow up in ignorance of useful industrial pursuits, and while the community contains so many unproductive members.

A LIGHT IN THE EAST.
The address of the Sultan to the ministers from foreign powers in Constantinople, when they waited upon him on the Mohammedan New Year's day, May 5, is one of the most encouraging evidences of a new order of things in the East that has appeared for a long time. The Sultan said that he would insist upon economy in the administration of the government, the improvement of judicial procedure, the extension of the railway system, and the equal participation of all classes in the obligations and benefits of the reforms which he has undertaken to bring about. He referred to the favorable settlement of the difficulties with Greece, to the pacification of Crete, and the friendly relations of Turkey with all foreign powers; and as an earnest of his intention to pursue a wise, moderate and liberal policy, the Cretan chieftains have been pardoned and set free.

The efforts of all the appliances of modern civilization, so far as they are suited to the habits and character of the people, are clearly due to the visit which he made a year or

two ago to Western Europe, and to the impressions made upon him by what he saw with his own eyes of the practical workings of modern European civilization. It was a long step in advance for the Sultan to make such a journey; and it is gratifying to see that he has the will to institute those reforms which are absolutely necessary if Turkey is to retain for any length of time her standing as an independent nation. It is well that these reforms should be commenced by the Turks themselves; and if the Sultan's ideas are carried out by his subordinates in the same spirit as they are proposed by him, we will have a right to expect the downfall of Oriental barbarism and the commencement of a new era of civilization and enlightenment in the far East.

PARIS rivals New York as an unendurable place to live in. The exorbitant prices of apartments have rendered certain neighborhoods uninhabitable by any except millionaires, or "the friends of the Emperor." The following official list of the rents of certain houses has been recently published, and will, in a measure, show that the leaseholders do not, after all, realize such enormous profits:—A house on the Boulevard Haussmann, 40,000 francs per annum; another house on the same boulevard, 70,000 francs; a house in the Rue de la Chaussee d'Antin, 74,000 francs; another in the same street, 90,000 francs; a house in the Rue de Rivoli, 80,000 francs; and one in the Place de la Madeleine, 90,000 francs. These are not cited as out-of-the-way rents, but are taken as they appear in the "Petites Annonces."

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

BETHESDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Corner of FRANKFORD Road and VIENNA Street.—The opening services of the new edifice will be held on NEXT SABBATH at 10 A. M., 10:30 P. M., and 8:00 P. M. in the evening. Rev. ALBERT BARNES, Rev. DR. J. H. STRYKER, Rev. ADAMS SHEPHERD, WISWELL, MEARS, and others, are expected to take part in the services.

A GENERAL MISSIONARY MEETING.—Under the auspices of the AMERICAN CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY will be held in the CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. Addresses by Rev. JOHN GOTTSON SMITH, D. D., Rev. JOHN HUBBARD, and Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS.

TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH.—CHESNUT Street, west of Eighteenth.—Rev. GRO. A. PELTZ will preach tomorrow morning. In the evening, a sermon on "Christian Work in the World," by F. J. JOHN, Esq., Superintendent of the Sunday School of First Baptist Church of Chicago. Services at 10:30 and 7:30.

NORTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—SIXTH Street, above Green.—Rev. JOSEPH F. BERG, D. D., to-morrow at 10:30, morning, and 7:30 evening, and on following Sabbath during the Pastor's absence. The positions of the Sabbath School at 10:30 and 7:30.

REV. B. W. CHIDLAW, OF OHIO.—Missionary of the American Sunday School Union, will preach the Sunday School Missionary Society of the FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Rev. Dr. Reed's) of Camden, to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mr. CHIDLAW will also preach in the same place in the evening at 7:30 o'clock.

WEST SPRUCE STREET CHURCH.—SEVENTEENTH and SPRUCE Streets.—The usual monthly evening service, to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock. Sermon by Rev. WILLIAM F. BREED, D. D. Subject: "New Bottles for New Wine."

LUTHERAN ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH.—TWELFTH and OXFORD Streets, Rev. J. J. JOHN, Esq., Superintendent of the Sunday School of First Baptist Church of Chicago. Services at 10:30 and 7:30.

ST. ANDREW'S CHAPEL.—THIRTEENTH Street, below Washington avenue.—Rev. GEORGE BRINGHURST, Pastor.—Divine service to-morrow, 9th inst., at 10:30 o'clock A. M., and at 8 o'clock P. M. Leave every Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

REV. WILLIAM S. OWENS, PASTOR.—Church of the NORTH UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MASTER Street, above Fifteenth, at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. All are cordially invited.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.—There will be a free service at the CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, corner of FIFTEENTH and CHESNUT Streets, to-morrow evening at a quarter before 8 o'clock.

SPRING.—REV. DR. MARCH WILL preach on the subject to-morrow (Sunday) evening, at eight o'clock, in the CLINTON STREET CHURCH. Persons cordially invited.

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OFFICE OF THE CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, MINING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY.—PHILADELPHIA, May 7, 1899. At a meeting of the Directors, held 3d inst., FRANCIS S. HOLMES, Esq., was elected President, and JESSE E. SMITH, Esq., was elected in his place. 5 23 SAMUEL F. FISHER, Secretary pro tem.

OFFICE OF THE CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, MINING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY.—PHILADELPHIA, May 7, 1899. The principal place of business of the Company has been removed from Charleston, S. C., to Philadelphia, and agency here was discontinued on 4th inst. SAMUEL GRANT, JR., 5 23

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